

## CLAIMS

1. A joint member used in joining a wiper arm and a wiper blade together, comprising:
  - a fitting member which is mounted on a wiper blade
  - 5 main-body and fits to the wiper arm;
  - a fixing member which holds and fixes the wiper arm between the fixing member and the fitting member; and
  - a flexible connecting portion which connects the fitting member and the fixing member together.
- 10 2. A joint member according to claim 1, wherein the fitting member fits into an inner side of a hook portion provided in the wiper arm, and the fixing member supports the hook portion by sandwiching the hook portion between the fixing member and the fitting member.
- 15 3. A joint member according to claim 2, wherein the fixing member is a case-like member which covers the fitting member and the hook portion.
4. A joint member according to claims 2 or 3, wherein the fixing member includes a side portion disposed on a
- 20 side of the hook portion and a front portion disposed on a front end side of the side portion, whereby a leading end portion of the hook portion is supported by being sandwiched between the front portion and the fitting member.
5. A joint member according to any one of claims 2 to 4,
- 25 wherein the fixing member comprises side portions disposed on both sides of the hook portion and a front portion which spans across these side portions, whereby the hook portion is supported by being sandwiched between the front portion

and the fitting member.

6. A joint member according to any one of claims 2 to 5, wherein the fixing member supports the hook portion by sandwiching the hook portion in such a manner that the side  
5 portion abuts against a part of the wiper blade main-body.

7. A joint member according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the fixing member is rotatably mounted on the wiper blade main-body.

8. A joint member according to claim 7, wherein the  
10 wiper blade main-body includes a mounting pin which extends orthogonally to the longitudinal direction of the wiper blade, and the fitting member includes a mounting portion which rotatably fits on the mounting pin.

9. A joint member according to any one of claims 1 to 8,  
15 wherein the connecting portion connects the fitting member and the fixing member together at an end portion of the joint member.

10. A joint member according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein the connecting portion connects the fitting member  
20 and the fixing member together on a side portion of the joint member.

11. The joint member according to any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein the connecting portion is a plate-like member.

12. The joint member according to any one of claims 1 to  
25 11, wherein the fixing member, the fitting member and the connecting member are monolithically molded as one member.

13. A wiper blade which includes the joint member according to any one of claims 1 to 12.